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Letter dated 9 January 2014 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

Pursuant to paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2100 (2013), I have the honour to transmit a note verbale dated 20 December 2013 from the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations, forwarding the second report on the actions taken by the French forces in support of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) since 1 October 2013 (see annex).

I would be grateful if you could bring the present letter and its annex to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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Annex

[Original: French]

The Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of the Secretary-General and has the honour to provide the following information.

Pursuant to paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2100 (2013), please find attached the report of France on actions taken since 1 October 2013 by French forces in support of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA).

Enclosure

Second report on operational support provided by Operation Serval for the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA)

Under paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2100 (2013), France is requested to report to the Security Council on the implementation of its mandate in support of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA). The first report was submitted after the first three months of the Operation (S/2013/621). It did not report any combat actions "under imminent and serious threat", although it described some 15 joint operations carried out by Operation Serval with MINUSMA and the daily work of the French Liaison and Support Detachments deployed among the MINUSMA battalions.

Since 1 October 2013, five combat actions have been carried out "under imminent and serious threat", pursuant to paragraph 18. These combat actions are evidence that armed bands aim to regroup and take action against MINUSMA. This fully justifies the provisions of paragraph 16 of resolution 2100 (2013), concerning the MINUSMA mandate, and of paragraph 18, concerning the support to be provided to MINUSMA by Operation Serval.

- On 23 October 2013, in response to an attack on a Chadian post in Tessalit by a commando made up of three armed terrorist groups using a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device, the Operation Serval Liaison and Support Detachment assigned to the Chadian battalion assisted MINUSMA by conducting a patrol with a Mirage 2000D jet and sending a CASA "Nurse" medical evacuation aircraft. The end result was that six wounded Chadians were evacuated and the remaining explosives were neutralized.
- On 5 November 2013, the French Liaison and Support Detachment supporting the Niger battalion helped defend a site in the vicinity of Ménaka after armed terrorist groups attempted to infiltrate it.
- On 7 and 8 November 2013, the French Liaison and Support Detachment helped protect the Niger battalion in the region between Ménaka and Anzarargane following an attack by members of the Movement for Unity and Jihad in West Africa (MUJAO).
- On 30 November 2013, the French Liaison and Support Detachment assigned to the Niger battalion thwarted an attempted intrusion into the site in Ménaka occupied jointly by the Malian Armed Forces, MINUSMA and the Detachment. An individual who was attempting to enter the site died after setting off explosives strapped to his body; there were no other casualties.
- On 14 December 2013, following a suicide attack with a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device against a bank (the Banque Malienne de Solidarité) in Kidal, which was guarded by a detachment of the Senegalese battalion, the French Liaison and Support Detachment assigned to the Senegalese battalion evacuated six MINUSMA personnel with minor injuries to camp No. 2 for examination by the French level I medical unit. At the request of MINUSMA, the CASA "Nurse" aircraft was deployed to evacuate to Gao three individuals with serious injuries, including one MINUSMA soldier from the Senegalese battalion.

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Letter dated 8 January 2014 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Sudan wishes to have retained on the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized, item 55 in paragraph 3 of the summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration (S/2014/10), namely, the item entitled "Letter dated 20 February 1958 from the representative of the Sudan addressed to the Secretary-General" (S/3963).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Hassan Hamid **Hassan**
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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Identical letters dated 9 January 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Earlier today, the morning calm in southern Israel was shattered by three mortar shells fired from the Gaza Strip. This unprovoked attack by Palestinian terrorists was aimed at troops of the Israel Defense Forces on a routine patrol inside Israel.

Israel holds Hamas responsible for this attack. Hamas is a dangerous terrorist organization committed to the destruction of Israel. For years, it has held the Palestinian population hostage and used Gaza as a launching pad to target Israeli civilians and soldiers.

Israel has thus far shown considerable restraint, but it will not allow its citizens to be the victims of ongoing attacks and will continue to take all measures necessary to protect its population.

The only thing more deafening than the explosions of mortars fired from Gaza is the international community's silence. I urge this Council to condemn these attacks, loudly and clearly, before the situation escalates further.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Ron **Prosor**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Letter dated 7 January 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the summary statement on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration, as set out in document S/2014/10, dated 2 January 2014.

In accordance with the established procedure, I should like to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Cuba requests that the following four items brought to the Council's attention by the Republic of Cuba should remain on the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized:

- Letter dated 11 July 1960 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/4378)
- Letter dated 31 December 1960 from the Minister for External Affairs of Cuba addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/4605)
- Complaint by Cuba (S/10993)
- Letter dated 2 February 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/21120)

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Rodolfo Reyes **Rodríguez**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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